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  - a. Except as may be indicated below in (b), all of the patents, publications or other information are in the English language or were cited in an English language Search Report, a copy of which is attached hereto (concise explanation not required).
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**FRENCH LANGUAGE** FR 2 696 740 apparently relates to Dimethylbiguanide drug derivatives and their medical applications.

**FRENCH LANGUAGE FR 2 085 655** apparently relates to biguanide substitutes possessing a hypoglycemic property.

**GERMAN LANGUAGE DT 25 42598 A1** apparently relates to biguanide salts as well as a method for preparing such salts. In addition to this the invention apparently covers pharmaceutical compounds which contain such salts.

**GERMAN LANGUAGE WO97/40832** apparently relates to the use of a method for reducing in the blood of a mammal by administration of effectors the enzyme activity of dipeptidyl peptidase (DP IV) or enzyme activity similar to DP IV, the endogenous (or additionally exogenously administered) insulinotropic peptide gastric inhibitory polypeptide 1-42 and glucagon-like peptide amide-1 7-36 are decomposed in a causal sequence to a reduced extent by DP IV enzymes or those similar to DP IV.

JAPANESE PATENT JP 4334357A2: ACYL DERIVATIVE HAVING ENZYME-INHIBITING ACTION, apparently relates to a compound having a prolyl endopeptibase activity-inhibiting action and useful as an antidement agent, especially an anti-amnestic agent. **GERMAN PATENT DD296075A5**: VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG NEUER INHIBITOREN DER DIPEPTIDYL PEPTIDASE IV, apparently relates to the preparation of preparing new inhibitors of dipeptidyl peptidase IV by synthesizing an aminoacid amide of formula A-B (I) from XAY or XA(Z)Y and B utilizing conventional peptide chemistry methods for forming amide bonds (See Derwent Abstract). c. [ The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration: **FEES** IV. THIS IDS IS BEING FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (check one box) a. | | within three months of the filing date of a national application (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (1)). No fee or certification is required. ъ. within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (2)). No fee or certification is required. c. 🖂 before the mailing date of a first Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (3)). No fee or certification is required. In the event that a first Office Action on the merits has been issued, please consider this IDS under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and see the certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)below, or, if no certification has been made, charge our deposit account a fee in the amount of \$180.00 as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). ٧. THIS IDS IS BEING FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c): (check one box) before the mailing date of a Final Office Action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (1)) or before the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311 (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (2)). a. No certification; therefore, a check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed as required by 37 C.F.R. . § 1.17(p).

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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of this application are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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